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1. The reply filed on September 19, 2000 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants have not responded to the election of species requirement in paragraphs 15 and 16 of the Species Requirement mailed on August 9, 2000. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Harold J. Tudor, whose telephone number is (703) 306-4172.

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